U.S. Patent Appln. No. 10/562,503 Amendment

Reply to Final Office Action dated April 17, 2009

REMARKS

The foregoing amendments and these remarks are in response to the Final Office Action dated July 22, 2009. This amendment is timely filed.

At the time of the Office Action, claims 1-2 were pending. In the Office Action, claims 1 and 2 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Specifically, the Office Action asserts that the recitation "extracting in continuous" is unclear. An appropriate correction is made here, and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Applicant has made every effort to present claims which distinguish over the prior art, and it is thus believed that all claims are in condition for allowance. Nevertheless, Applicant invites the Examiner to call the undersigned if it is believed that a telephonic interview would expedite the prosecution of the application to an allowance. In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and prompt allowance of the pending claims.

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